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DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA,) an individual,

Plaintiff,

vs.

99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC, a foreign corporation; DOES I through X; and ROE ENTITIES I through X,

Defendants.

CASE NO.

DEPT. NO.

CASE NO: A-22-858173-C Department 23

SUMMONS

NOTICE! YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. THE COURT MAY DECIDE AGAINST YOU WITHOUT YOUR BEING HEARD UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC

TO THE DEFENDANT: A civil Complaint has been filed by the plaintiff against you for the relief set forth in the Complaint.

- 1. If you intend to defend this lawsuit, within 20 days after this Summons is served on you exclusive of the day of service, you must do the following:
- a. File with the Clerk of this Court, whose address is shown below, a formal written response to the Complaint in accordance with the rules of the Court.
- b. Serve a copy of your response upon the attorney whose name and address is shown below.

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- 2. Unless you respond, your default will be entered upon application of the plaintiff and this Court may enter a judgment against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint, which could result in the taking of money or property or other relief requested in the Complaint.
- 3. If you intend to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your response may be filed on time.

Issued at the direction of:

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17 18	99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC, a foreign corporation; DOES I through X; and ROE ENTITIES I through X,		
19	Defendants.		
20	COMP	LAINT	
21	COMES NOW, Plaintiff, MARIA ANT	ONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA, by and through	
22	her attorneys, David A. Tanner, Esq. and Rez	a R. Ayazi of the TANNER LAW FIRM, and	
23	complains and alleges against Defendants, and	each of them, as follows:	
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THE PARTIES

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter under NRS 14.065 and NRS 4.370(1), as the facts alleged occurred in Clark County, Nevada and involve an amount in controversy in excess of \$15,000.00. Venue is proper pursuant to NRS 13.040, as Defendant, or any one of them resided in Clark County, Nevada at the commencement of this action.
- 2. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff, MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA ("Maria" or "Plaintiff"), is and was a resident of Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant, 99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC ("99 Cents Only Stores"), is and was a foreign corporation and was licensed to and was conducting business in Clark County, Nevada.
- 4. Plaintiff believes that 99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC owned, operated, maintained, and managed 99 Cents Only Store, a store located in Clark County, Nevada.
- 5. 99 Cents Only Store is located at 45 North Nellis Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada 89110.
- 6. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate, or otherwise of Defendant Does I through X and Roe Corporations I through X are unknown to Plaintiff at this time, who therefore sues said Defendant by such fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed and believes and therefore alleges that each of the Defendant designated as Does and Roe Entities are responsible in some manner for the events and happenings referred to as alleged herein, whether by actually or have responsibility for creating the hazard, failing to warn of the hazard, owning, managing, maintaining, inspecting, cleaning, supervising, or controlling the premises, or in some other manner as set forth herein. Plaintiff will seek leave of the Court to amend this Complaint to insert the true names and capacities of Does I through X and Roe Entities I through X when the same have been ascertained and to join such Defendants in this action.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

7. On or about January 13, 2021, Plaintiff was at 99 Cents Only Store located at 45 North Nellis Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada 89110.

- 8. Plaintiff was legally on the premises at 99 Cents Only Store at the time of this incident.
- 9. At all times relevant herein, the Defendant was the owner, manager, maintainer, inspector, supervisor, or controller of the premises where Plaintiff was located.
- 10. Plaintiff believes that at all times relevant herein, the Defendant and each of them were the employees or agents of the other Defendant and were acting in the course and scope of their employment or agency.
- 11. While walking down what Plaintiff believes was the detergent aisle, Plaintiff encountered an unknown and unforeseen liquid on the floor causing her to slip and fall causing severe and debilitating injuries to herself.
- 12. Plaintiff believes that Defendant has a policy that 99 Cents Only Store must be routinely inspected, maintained, and cleaned so they are kept safe and in good repair or warnings used to ensure patrons, such as Plaintiff, are not harmed.
- 13. Plaintiff believes that the Defendant understands that a transparent, latent liquid on the floor is a hazardous condition and can lead to a patron being injured.
- 14. On or about January 13, 2021, Defendant negligently failed to maintain, manage, inspect, clean, supervise, control, and repair the premises and further failed to warn Plaintiff of hazards which resulted in Plaintiff's injuries.
- 15. Defendant's personnel did not use warnings to alert patrons, such as Plaintiff, of the hazardous condition.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Negligence)

- 16. Plaintiff hereby incorporates the allegations set forth above in paragraphs 1 through 15 as though fully set forth herein.
- 17. Defendant had a duty to maintain, manage, inspect, clean, supervise, control, and repair the premises and associated equipment to ensure that no hazards existed that could harm a patron. Defendant had a duty to warn of hazards such as liquid on the floor.

1	18.	Defendant breached these duties, which breached proximately cause harm to
2	Plaintiff.	
3	19.	As a result of Defendant's conduct, Plaintiff has suffered damages, and Plaintiff is
4	entitled to da	mages in excess of \$15,000.00.
5	20.	As a result of Defendant's conduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff has been required
6	to retain the s	services of an attorney, and, as a direct, natural, and foreseeable consequence thereof,
7	has been dam	naged thereby, and is entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.
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9	WHE	REFORE, Plaintiff requests that this Court enter judgment against Defendant as
10	follows:	
11		1. General damages in an amount in excess of \$15,000.00;
12		2. Special damages in an amount in excess of \$15,000.00;
13		3. Costs of suit and attorneys' fees;
14		4. For judgment for interest; and
15		5. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.
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17	Dated	d this date of September, 2022
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20		By: DAVID A. TANNER, Esq.
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THE PARTIES

- 1. Answering Paragraphs 1, 2, and 6 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the said allegations and therefore denies same.
- 2. Answering Paragraph 4 and 5 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant admits the allegations contained therein. Answering Paragraph 3 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein. "At all times relevant hereto, Defendant, 99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC ("99 Cents Only Stores"), is and was", Defendant admits the allegations contained therein. As to, "a foreign corporation", Defendant denies the allegations contained therein. As to "and was licensed to and was conducting business in Clark County, Nevada." Defendant admits the allegations contained therein.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 3. Answering Paragraphs 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 15 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the said allegations and therefore denies same.
- 4. Answering Paragraphs 14 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant denies each and every allegation contained therein.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Negligence)

5. Answering Paragraph 16 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in Paragraphs 1 through 15 as though fully set forth herein.

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6.	Answering Paragraph 17 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant is
without suff	icient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth or falsity of the said
allegations a	and therefore denies same.

7. Answering Paragraphs 18, 19 and 20 of Plaintiff's Complaint on file herein, Defendant denies each and every allegation contained therein.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff's Complaint fails to state a claim against Defendant upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that at the time and place alleged in Plaintiff's Complaint, Plaintiff did not exercise ordinary care, caution or prudence for the protection of herself and any damages complained of by the Plaintiff in her Complaint, were directly or proximately caused or contributed to by the fault, failure to act, carelessness and negligence of Plaintiff.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that the Plaintiff assumed whatever risk or hazard existed at the time of this incident, if any there were, and was therefore responsible for the alleged damage suffered and further that the Plaintiff was guilty of negligence of her own acts which caused or contributed to by the fault, failure to act, carelessness or negligence of Plaintiff.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All the risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in Plaintiff's Complaint, if any there were, were open, obvious and known to the Plaintiff and by reason thereof, Plaintiff assumed the risks and dangers inherent thereto.

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FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that the negligence of the Plaintiff exceeded that of the Defendant, and that the Plaintiff is thereby barred from recovery.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Pursuant to NRCP 11, as amended: All possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged herein insofar as sufficient facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upon the filing of Defendant's Answer, and therefore, Defendant reserves the right to amend this Answer to allege additional affirmative defenses if subsequent investigation warrants.

SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The damages sustained by Plaintiff, if any, were caused by the acts of third persons who were not agents, servants or employees of this answering Defendant and who were not acting on behalf of this answering Defendant in any manner or form and as such, this Defendant is not liable in any matter to the Plaintiff.

EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant at all times relevant to the allegations contained in Plaintiff's Complaint, acted with due care and circumspection in the performance of any and all duties imposed on it.

NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

That it has been necessary of the Defendant to employ the services of an attorney to defend the action and a reasonable sum should be allowed Defendant for attorney's fees, together with costs of suit incurred herein.

TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff has failed to mitigate her alleged damages, and, to the extent of such failure to mitigate any damages awarded to Plaintiff, should be reduced accordingly.

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ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff's claims are barred by applicable statutes of limitations.

TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant objects as to authentication, foundation and genuineness of all of Plaintiff's medical providers and documents listed or presented by Plaintiff.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, 99 CENTS ONLY STORES, LLC., prays as follows:

- 1. That Plaintiff take nothing by way of her Complaint on file herein;
- 2. For reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred herein;
- 3. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in the premises.

DATED this 30th day of September, 2022.

BRANDON | SMERBER LAW FIRM

/s/ Lew Brandon, Jr., Esq.
LEW BRANDON, JR., ESQ.

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JEFFREY ORR, ESQ.

Nevada Bar No. 7854

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Nevada Bar No. 15231 139 E. Warm Springs Road Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 Attorneys for Defendant,

99 CENTS ONLY STORES, LLC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 2 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I hereby certify that on September 30, 2022, I served the foregoing 3 DEFENDANT, 99 CENTS ONLY STORES, LLC'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S 4 **COMPLAINT** through the Court's ECF electronic filing system, upon the following: 5 DAVID A. TANNER, ESQ. 6 T. 702.380.0007 | F. 702.380.2964 Nevada Bar No. 8282 REZA R. AYAZI, ESQ. 7 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89119 139 E. WARM SPRINGS RD. Nevada Bar No. 15495 8 TANNER LAW FIRM 7895 West Sunset Road, Suite 115 9 Las Vegas, NV 89113 (702) 987-8888 10 Facsimile (702) 410-8070 11 Attorneys for Plaintiff, MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA 12 BRANDON | SMERBER /s/ Maybellin<u>e Valle</u> 13 An Employee of Brandon | Smerber Law Firm 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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SB	14	correct copy of the foregoing DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL through the Court's ECF electronic
	15	filing system, upon the following:
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	1	There are no other known interested parties other than those identified.
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It is my understanding that the attachments may be transmitted to the program in any 1 2 format and will be converted to a PDF file before service is effected. 3 The undersigned also acknowledges that this Consent does not require service by 4 electronic means unless the serving party elects to do so. 5 DATED this 30th day of September, 2022. 6 T. 702.380.0007 | F. 702.380.2964 **BRANDON | SMERBER LAW FIRM** 7 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89119 139 E. WARM SPRINGS RD. 8 /s/ Lew Brandon, Jr., Esq. LEW BRANDON, JR., ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 5880 JEFFREY ORR, ESQ. 10 Nevada Bar No. 7854 11 HOMERO GONZALEZ, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 15231 12 BRANDON | SMERBER LAW FIRM 139 E. Warm Springs Road Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 13 Attorneys for Defendant, 14 99 CENTS ONLY STORES, LLC 15 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 16 Pursuant to Nev. R. Civ. P. 5(b), I certify that on September 30, 2022, I served a true and 17 correct copy of the foregoing CONSENT TO SERVICE BY ELECTRONIC MEANS 18 THROUGH E-FILING PROGRAM through the Court's ECF electronic filing system, upon 19 the following: 20 21 DAVID A. TANNER, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 8282 22 REZA R. AYAZI, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 15495 23 **TANNER LAW FIRM** 24 7895 West Sunset Road, Suite 115 Las Vegas, NV 89113 25 (702) 987-8888 Facsimile (702) 410-8070 26 Attorneys for Plaintiff, 27 MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA /s/ Maybelline Valle 28 An Employee of Brandon | Smerber Law Firm

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	1	matter, not privileged or protected from disclosure, on which such computation is based, including
	2	materials bearing on the nature and extent of injuries suffered.
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	19	ECF electronic filing system, upon the following:
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DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA,)

Plaintiff,

VS.

an individual,

99 CENTS ONLY STORES LLC, a foreign corporation; DOES I through X; and ROE ENTITIES I through X,

Defendants

CASE NO.: A-22-858173-C

DEPT. NO.: XXIII

PETITION FOR EXEMPTION FROM ARBITRATION

PETITION FOR EXEMPTION FROM ARBITRATION

Plaintiff, MARIA ANTONIETA ESCOBAR-RIVERA, hereby requests the aboveentitled matter be exempted from arbitration pursuant to Nevada Arbitration Rules 3 and 5, because this case involves an amount in issue in excess of \$50,000.00, exclusive of interest and costs.

A summary of the facts which support the contention for exemption are as follows:

On or about January 13, 2021, Ms. Escobar-Rivera was at the 99 Cent Only store located at 45 N. Nellis Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89110. While walking down what Plaintiff believes was the detergent aisle, Ms. Escobar-Rivera encountered an unknown and unforeseen trail of liquid on the floor causing her to slip and fall causing severe and debilitating injuries to herself.

Following Plaintiff's January 13, 2021 incident, Ms. Escobar-Rivera went to Sunrise Hospital for foot, hip, knee pain, right upper extremity pain and neck pain. On January 14, 2021, until May 13, 2021 Ms. Escobar-Rivera treated with Neck and Back clinic for multiple visits a week. Plaintiff was referred to a pain management specialist and saw him on March 29, 2021 complaining of neck and back pain, right shoulder, wrist and knee pain. Plaintiff received injections in her neck and back on April 7, 2021 and April 14, 2021. Due to continued wrist pain Plaintiff met with an orthopedic doctor on June 9, 2021 and again on July 7, 2021. Plaintiff had wrist surgery on March 25, 2022. Ms. Escobar-Rivera continues to experience pain and is following up with an orthopedic doctor who has recommended shoulder surgery and is pending medical clearance.

Due to Ms. Escobar-Rivera's significant injuries, to date she has incurred the following medical expenses:

1.	American Medical Response	\$1,242.92
2.	Extremities Surgical Institute	\$139,786.00
3.	Fremont Emergency Services Mandavia	\$1,428.00
4.	Injury Center of Nevada	\$2,050.00
5.	Nevada Orthopedic & Spine Center	\$840.00
6.	OrthoCor Medical	\$6,000.00
7.	Radiology Specialists, LTD	\$291.00
8.	SimonMed Imaging	\$8,925.75
9.	Sunrise Hospital	\$15,634.00
10.	The Neck and Back Clinic	\$14,205.00
11.	Velazquez Pain Relief Center	\$14,245.00

TOTAL:

\$204,647.67

Ms. Escobar-Rivera will seek compensation for her past and future pain and suffering, loss of household services, and loss of enjoyment of life.

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Based upon the foregoing, Plaintiff requests that this matter be exempted from the Arbitration Program.

I hereby certify pursuant to NRCP 11 this case to be within the exemption stated above and am aware of the sanctions which may be imposed against any attorney or party who, without good cause or justification, attempts to remove a case from the Arbitration Program.

Dated this _____ date of October, 2022.

By:

DAVID A. TANNER, Esq.

Nevada Bar No. 8282

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Attorney for Plaintiff

1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an employee of the law firm of TANNER LAW FIRM
3	and that on the day of October, 2022, I served the above and foregoing PETITION
40	FOR EXEMPTION FROM ARBITRATION by Electronic Service to the following:
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